CHAPTER 4.

Passed February, 27, 1856.

AN ACT entitled an act to authorise the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, to pass a decree for the sale of certain real estate belonging to the Christ Church in Baltimore City and others.

Preamble. Whereas, it is represented to this General Assembly, That a bill has been filed in the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, by the Vestry of Christ Church in the city of Baltimore and others, for the sale of a lot of ground situate in said city heretofore used as a burial ground by the said Vestry, and certain lot holders, it being the same parcel of ground conveyed by David Williamson, to the Vestry of Saint Paul's Parish in the city of Baltimore, and afterwards conveyed by the Vestry of Saint Paul's Parish, to the said Vestry of Christ Church, and that notice has been given in a newspaper in the city of Baltimore, of the objects and purposes of said bill, and it being doubtful whether there is jurisdiction in the said court, to pass a decree for the sale of said lot of ground; Therefore,

Notice given sufficient.

SECTION. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the notice heretofore given of the objects and purposes of said bill be sufficient to bind all persons claiming an interest as lot holders in the said lot of ground, whether they are entitled as heir, assignee or other representative of the original lot holders in said lot, and whether they be non-residents or infants, and that the said circuit court for Baltimore city is hereby invested with complete jurisdiction without further notice upon being satisfied by affidavits or otherwise, that it would be for the interest and advantage of all parties interested in the said lot of ground that the same shall be sold immediately, to pass a decree for the sale of the same, upon such terms as shall be proper, and to distribute the proceeds of said sale among the parties interested equitably according to their several interests. as the same shall be shewn to the said court.

Decree of Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That any decree passed by the said court, for the sale of the said lot of ground shall be valid to pass the title to the purchaser or purchasers of the same or any part thereof free, clear and discharged from the said Vestry of Christ's Church in Baltimore city, its successor or any person claiming under them; and free, clear and discharged from the

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